

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0635-01
Bill No.: HB 125
Subject: Elections; Federal - State Relations; Children and Minors
Type: Original
Date: March 19, 2013

Bill Summary: This proposal allows 17 year olds to vote in presidential primaries if they will be 18 on the day of the general election.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016
General Revenue	(\$76,245)	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	(\$76,245)	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

☐ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).

☐ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** assume this proposal would be in conflict with the Helping America Vote Act (HAVA) section 303 (b) (4) (A) (ii) which requires the following question for all voter registration applications "Will you be 18 years of age on or before election day?" followed by the statement "If you checked 'no' in response to either of the above questions do, not complete this form." This will make it impossible for anyone who will be 17 years old for the Presidential Preference Primary election day to register to vote.

This proposal would require extensive changes to Missouri Centralized Voter Registration System (MCVR) to include the ability to process voters who are 17 years old to allow them to vote in a primary. The Secretary of State's current vendor for MCVR estimates a cost of at least \$76,245 to implement these changes.

Officials at the **Platte County Board of Election Commission** assume there is no fiscal impact from this proposal.

Officials at the **Kansas City Board of Election Commission** assume the cost would be minimal if the computers could be programmed to easily identify these voters. Estimated cost would be less than \$10,000 each Presidential primary for training and new materials.

Officials at the **St. Louis County Board of Election Commission** assume the logistics of entering the 17 year old voter into the MCVR system, would fall under the programming of MCVR by the Office of the Secretary of State, so there would be no impact on the Commission.

Officials at the following board of election commissions: St. Louis City Board of Election Commission, Clay County Board of Election Commission and the Jackson County Board of Election Commission did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact.

Officials at the following counties: Andrew, Audrain, Barry, Bates, Boone, Buchanan, Callaway, Camden, Cape Girardeau, Carroll, Cass, Clay, Cole, Cooper, DeKalb, Franklin, Greene, Holt, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnson, Knox, Laclede, Lawrence, Lincoln, Marion, Miller, Moniteau, Monroe, Montgomery, New Madrid, Nodaway, Ozark, Perry, Pettis, Phelps, Platte, Pulaski, Scott, St. Charles, St. Louis, St. Francois, Taney, Warren, Wayne, Webster and Worth did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2014 (10 Mo.)	FY 2015	FY 2016
GENERAL REVENUE			
<u>Cost</u> - Secretary of State - cost of MCVR computer upgrades	<u>(\$76,245)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE	<u>(\$76,245)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
 <u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	 FY 2014 (10 Mo.)	 FY 2015	 FY 2016
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

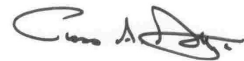
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill allows any person who is at least 17 years old on the day of a presidential primary election to vote in the election if he or she will be 18 years old at the time of the general election for the President of the United States.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Kansas City Board of Election Commission
Office of the Secretary of State
Platte County Board of Election Commission
St. Louis County Board of Election Commission

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ross Strope".

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